

**Commission to Evaluate the Effectiveness and Future of the
Premium Assistance Program
Organizational Meeting**

September 28th, 2016

9:00a.m. SH100

1. As the first named Senator, Jeb Bradley welcomed all of the Committee members and each member introduced him/herself. Members present included: Mike Rose (Southern New Hampshire Health System, Pete Burwin (Receives Coverage through the Program), Lisa Guertin (Anthem), Senator Jeb Bradley, Commissioner Jeff Meyers (DHHS), Jennifer Patterson (NH Insurance Dept.), Representative Steve Schmidt, Travis Harker (Granite Health), Richard Cornell (Mental Health Center of Greater Manchester) and Representative Karen Umberger. Representative Cindy Rosenwald joined the meeting.
2. The Committee needed to elect a chairperson. Senator Dan Felts nominated Senator Jeb Bradley. Commissioner Meyers seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations put forward. Senator Bradley was elected chairman unanimously.
3. Senator Bradley asked for nominations for clerk. Representative Karen Umberger agreed to be the clerk as long as Representative Cindy Rosenwald would share the duties.
4. Senator Bradley then asked the committee to identify stakeholders whom would be called to provide information to the commission. The following were identified:
 - a. Health and Human Services to discuss demographics, cost, churn data and any other information they deem to be useful to the commission.
 - b. Insurance Department to provide information on what is happening to health costs across the state
 - c. Provider Community, physicians and hospitals to discuss impact on their practices
 - d. Carriers; what their experience has been so far
 - e. Drug Prevention Community; is the program successful in helping with costs

- f. Consumers; what are they experiencing
 - g. Has the program helped to reduce costs in Corrections
 - h. Adult Dental Benefits
 - i. Public Health Advocates
 - j. New Hampshire Municipal Association; has this benefit helped to reduce cost in the towns and cities
 - k. Department of Labor and Employment Security who is working and who is not
 - l. MCO's How much health care is being provided
 - m. Chamber of Commerce/small business
- 5. The Commission set the next meeting for December 12 at 1 PM. Senator Bradley suggested all members plan on a two hour meeting. Health and Human Services will provide their information at the meeting. We also set two additional meetings, one for January 9th and one for January 23. All meetings will be held at 1 PM.
 - 6. We determined that all information from the commission would be put on the senate website. Gail Brown of NH Oral Health Coalition also agreed to work us to have information on their website.
 - 7. The meeting adjourned at 10AM.

Karen C. Umberger

Clerk